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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Los Banos – One Dead, Nine Hospitalized after Central California Hazmat Spill

(U) One person has died after a hazardous material spill in central California, and nine others were taken to a hospital for treatment. Authorities responded to the scene and found the person who had died, along with another person who was being treated for exposure. Officials could not immediately say what the chemical was or how the spill occurred, but it appeared to be an agricultural spray. SOURCE: 13 June 2019, Fox News

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) Arizona – Nogales CBP Officers Seize \$360K of Methamphetamine

(U) Tucson – US Customs and Border Protection officers at the Port of Nogales seized over 120-pounds of methamphetamine. A CBP narcotics detection canine alerted to a vehicle after it was referred to a secondary inspection area. Over 100 packages were removed from the vehicle with an estimated value of more than \$360 thousand. Officers seized the drugs, vehicle, and arrested the subject. SOURCE: 13 June 2019, CBP

(U) NATIONAL

(U) District of Colombia - Pompeo Says Intelligence Points to Iran in Tanker Attack in Gulf of Oman

(U) Washington – Secretary of State Mike Pompeo says that intelligence reviewed by American officials showed that Iran was responsible for attacks on two tankers in the Gulf of Oman. Pompeo further states that the sabotage against the two tankers was only the latest in a series of recent violent acts by Iran. SOURCE: 13 June 2019, New York Times

(U) Ohio - Man Convicted of Trying to Join ISIS Sentenced to 15-Years

(U) Dayton – The man convicted in the first terrorism-related trial in the Southern District of Ohio was sentenced to 15-years in prison. The subject had been indicted for conspiracy and knowingly attempting "to provide material support and resources to a foreign terrorist organization in the form of personnel to work under ISIS's direction and control." The subject was arrested in April 2017 at Cincinnati's airport with a plan of getting to Syria to fight against the Bashar al-Assad regime.

SOURCE: 13 June 2019, <u>Dayton Daily News</u>

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Afghanistan – Suicide Bomber Kills Nine in Eastern Afghanistan

(U) Kabul – A suicide bomber walked up to an Afghan police vehicle in Jalalabad and detonated an explosive device that killed three police and six civilians. Another 13 people were wounded in the attack. Officials stated that security forces were the target of the attack. The ISIS-Khorasan group claimed responsibility for the attack through its news agency.

SOURCE: 13 June 2019, Washington Post

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(U) China-Telegram Hit by Massive Chinese Cyberattack during Hong Kong Protests

(U) Shanghai – Telegram, the encrypted messaging platform, reported a massive cyberattack stemming "mostly from China" while the app was widely used by demonstrators in Hong Kong. The company said it was hit by a powerful distributed denial of service (DDoS) attack, which filled servers with junk requests. The cyberattack was traced to Chinese "IP addresses" and "coincided in time with protests in Hong Kong" over a bill that would allow extraditions to mainland China.

(U) India – Man Arrested for Links to Easter Sunday Bomber

(U) Sri Lanka – Indian anti-terrorism investigators have arrested a man with alleged links to the suicide bomber who planned Sri Lanka's deadly Easter Sunday attacks on 21 April. Investigators advised the subject was friends on social media with the alleged ringleader of the attacks. The arrest followed raids on a suspected ISIS militant cell in the southern Indian city of Coimbatore. Five other men have been detained for questioning.

SOURCE: 13 June 2019, BBC News

SOURCE: 13 June 2019, Washington Post

(U) Nigeria – Islamist Insurgents Overrun Nigerian Army Base in Northeast

(U) Maiduguri – Islamist insurgents overran a Nigerian army base in the country's northeast, killing the commander. The latest development is at odds with the Nigerian military's public statements that their campaigns against militants are making "major breakthroughs." It was not immediately clear whether the attackers were affiliated with Boko Haram or ISIS. No other details about further casualties were available.

SOURCE: 13 June 2019, Reuters

(U) United Kingdom - Iran-Linked Terrorists Caught Stockpiling Explosives in North-West London

(U) London – Terrorists linked to Iran were caught stockpiling tons of explosive materials on the outskirts of London in a secret British bomb factory. Radicals linked to Hezbollah, the Lebanese militant group, stashed thousands of disposable ice packs containing ammonium nitrate, a common ingredient in homemade bombs. The plot was uncovered by MI5 and the Metropolitan Police in the autumn of 2015, just months after the UK signed up to the Iran nuclear deal.

SOURCE: 9 June 2019, Telegraph

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